

2-9-05

IFW



PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 005127.00288

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 4718
Matthew D. Nordstrom	)	
Serial No.: 10/797,589	)	Examiner: TBA
Filed: March 10, 2004	)	Art Unit: 3765
Title: ARTICLE OF SWIMWEAR WITH	)	
RESILIENT SEAL	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above-identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. USPTO Form 1449 with three (3) references; and
3. Return Receipt Postcard.

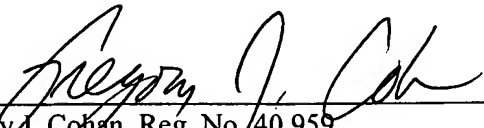
and hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on the date indicated below with the United States Postal Service as Express mail EV 515 644 629 US in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

With respect to additional fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated:

February 8, 2005

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gregory J. Cohan, Reg. No. 40,959  
BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.  
28 State Street, 28th Floor  
Boston, MA 02109  
(617) 720-9600



PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 005127.00288

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 4718
Matthew D. Nordstrom	)	
Serial No.: 10/797,589	)	Examiner: TBA
Filed: March 10, 2004	)	Art Unit: 3765
Title: ARTICLE OF SWIMWEAR WITH	)	
RESILIENT SEAL	)	

---

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicants hereby submit the enclosed PTO Form 1449. Copies of the non-U.S. patent publications and non-patent publication (1 reference) are enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

EP 1 211 956 is believed to be relevant to the extent that it discloses the use of adhesive in an undergarment.

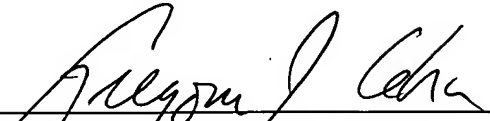
In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

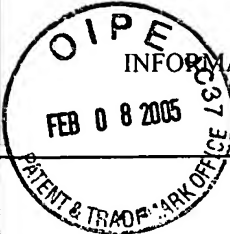
Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated:

February 8, 2005

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gregory J. Conan, Reg. No. 40,959  
BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.  
28 State Street, 28th Floor  
Boston, MA 02109  
(617) 720-9600

USPTO Form 1449		U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office		Attorney Docket No. <b>005127.00288</b>		Serial No. <b>10/797,589</b>	
 <p>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION Sheet 1 of 1</p>				Applicants: <b>Matthew D. Nordstrom</b>			
				Filing Date: <b>March 10, 2004</b>		Group: <b>3765</b>	
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
Examiner Initial		Patent No.	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date (if appropriate)
	AA	3,026,225	03/20/1962	Ostby	154	50	09/09/1957
	AB	4,604,152	08/05/1986	Liukko	156	93	09/11/1984
	AC	4,915,046	04/10/1990	Meistrell	112	419	11/18/1988
	AD	5,003,902	04/02/1991	Benstock et al.	112	418	10/13/1989
	AE	5,809,567	09/22/1998	Jacobs et al.	2	1	12/02/1996
	AF	6,079,343	06/27/2000	Wong	112	475.09	01/06/1997
	AG	6,375,770	04/23/2002	Meltzer et al.	156	73.4	08/11/1997
	AH	6,438,755	08/27/2002	MacDonald et al.	2	69	09/15/2000
	AI	6,484,319	11/26/2002	Fusco et al.	2	67	02/24/2000
	AJ	6,546,560	04/15/2003	Fusco et al.	2	67	06/20/2002
	AK	6,647,550	11/18/2003	Matsuzaki et al.	2	67	01/27/2000
	AL	6,622,312	09/23/2003	Rabinowicz	2	401	05/08/2002
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
Examiner Initial		Document No.	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation
							YES NO
	AM	EP 1 211 956 B1	01/14/2004	EPO			*
<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)</b>							
	AN	U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US2002/0152531 to Fusco et al. on October 24, 2002					
	AO	U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US2003/0019373 to Jordan on January 30, 2003					
	AP	Article from <a href="http://www.wblivesurf.com">www.wblivesurf.com</a> "Rip Curl Unveils the World's First Stitchless Boardshort" Tony Butler July 7, 2003					
	AQ	Article from <a href="http://www.surfit.com">www.surfit.com</a> "World's 1 <sup>st</sup> Stitchless Boardies" 2003					
EXAMINER					DATE CONSIDERED		
<p>*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant. **Copies of references not provided at the time of this submission.</p>							

\* Claims Only in English